



**NOTIFICATION**

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> UNITED STATES OF AMERICA <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Department of Commerce (DOC) [2295]
<b>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [ ], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], 3.2 [ ], 7.2 [ ], Other [X]:</b> This action removes the regulation at 15 CFR part 272, which establishes marking requirements for toy, look-alike, and imitation firearms. The regulation was originally issued to implement statutory provisions assigning regulatory authority to NIST. Legislative amendments enacted in 2022 transferred this authority from the Department of Commerce (including NIST) to the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC). Accordingly, the regulation is being withdrawn because NIST is no longer the competent authority.
<b>4. Products covered (HS codes or national tariff lines. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Toy, look-alike and imitation firearms; Tricycles, scooters, pedal cars and similar wheeled toys; dolls' carriages; dolls; other toys; reduced-size ("scale") models and similar recreational models, working or not; puzzles of all kinds. (HS code(s): 9503); Toys (ICS code(s): 97.200.50)
<b>5. Details of notified document(s) (title, number of pages and languages, means of access):</b> Eliminating Obsolete Marking Requirements for Toy, Look-Alike, and Imitation Firearms; (2 page(s), in English) <b>Link to notified document(s) and/or contact details for agency or authority which can provide copies upon request:</b> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/TBT/USA/26_01019_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/TBT/USA/26_01019_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Final rule - By this rule, the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) removes its regulation setting forth marking requirements for toy, look-alike, and imitation firearms. Pursuant to statutory amendments made by the <a href="#">CHIPS and Science Act of 2022</a> , the subject regulation now lacks an underlying statutory authorization and has been rendered obsolete by the new, operative marking requirements issued by the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC). The removal of the subject NIST regulation is therefore necessary to reflect the current state of the underlying law and to eliminate obsolete regulatory language. This action is intended to minimize the risk of public confusion regarding the applicable marking requirements and governing authority for toy, look-alike, and imitation firearms and to promote administrative efficiency.
<b>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Other

**8. Relevant documents:**

91 Federal Register (FR) 7824, 19 February 2026; [Title 15 Code of Federal Regulations \(CRF\) Part 272](#):

<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2026-02-19/html/2026-03307.htm>

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This final rule is identified by Docket Number 260210-0043. The document details are available on Regulations.gov at [https://www.regulations.gov/document/NIST\\_FRDOC\\_0001-0022](https://www.regulations.gov/document/NIST_FRDOC_0001-0022). Documents are also accessible from [Regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov) by searching the Docket Number.

**Relevant notifications:**

- [G/TBT/N/USA/1996](#)
- [G/TBT/N/USA/1996/Corr.1](#)

**9. Proposed date of adoption:** 19 February 2026

**Proposed date of entry into force:** 19 February 2026

**10. Provision of comments**

**Final date for comments:** Not Applicable

**[ ] 60 days from notification**

**Contact details of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification:**